

March 25, 2008

The Honorable Jim McDermott Chairman, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support U.S. House of Representatives 1102 Longworth House Office Building Washington D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman McDermott,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to questions related to the subcommittee's hearing on improving the child welfare system. Attached are responses to the questions submitted to me following the hearing.

On behalf of the Kids Are Waiting campaign, thank you for your leadership in Congress and for your many efforts to champion the needs of children in foster care.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff to achieve urgent reforms to child welfare policies.

Sincerely,

Hope Cooper Project Director

Kids Are Waiting Campaign

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